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Also enclosed is a copy of a Japan Patent Office (JPO) office action dated July 17, 2007 for the corresponding JPO patent application JP2003-155284 which cites the disclosed references. Please note that the JPO examiner cited JPO patent publication JP2003-151226 which corresponds to US Pat. No. 6,954,338 already of record in the present application.

It is respectfully requested that the cited references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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